

Council Minutes

February 9, 2010

Attendees:

Officers:

- Mark Praska, President—*Excused*
- Ed Smith, Vice President
- Craig Chaney, Treasurer
- Ken Amundson, Secretary—*Excused*

Ministries:

- Mary Konicek, Education
- Sally Meier, Fellowship—*Excused*
- Gloria Borchert, Pastoral Care
- Pat Sharp, Outreach—*Excused*
- Curt Schroeder, Property
- Tom Kramer, Stewardship
- Miles Olson, Worship & Music
- Greg Harms, Youth

Staff:

- Dan Hansen—*Excused*
- Ed Broestl, represented Outreach
- Susan Moller
- Janelle Olson, represented Fellowship; recorded Meeting Minutes

Guests:

Devotions: Ed Broestl. Luke 5:1-11. Based on Sunday's sermon.

Secretary's Report: The report was provided by Ken Amundson via email prior to the meeting. Miles moved to approve the secretary's report as published; Craig seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Craig reviewed the treasurer's report. Gloria moved to accept the report as presented; Tom seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

Old Business:

New Business:

Rocky Mountain Synod Theological Conference in Colorado Springs.

- Ed Broestl reported on the 3-day event that he and Pastor Dan attended January 25-28, 2010.
- There were questions from brothers and sisters in the RMS about FCLC (Pastor Dan and Ed) attending the conference. The rumor mill: "Is FCLC leaving the ELCA?"
- Both Dan and Ed replied to the questions and comments that "...we are praying about how God is calling us into ministry.
- David Louse, Luther Seminary professor, taught that "preaching" is telling the story of Christ. Show how to teach with stories.
- Carrie Newcomer, musician. Taught that music parallels scripture: how to write a sermon and how to write a song.
- Art forms portray Christ in many ways.
- CORE affiliation:
 1. Congregation must be part of a church (body)
 2. Congregations must be part of Lutheran belief system (Apostles' Creed)
 3. A congregation cannot be a part of two (2) governances.

Update to Bylaws and Constitution.

- Miles requested permission to draft amendments to our (FCLC) Constitution for revisions.
 1. Will incorporate CORE basic principles.
 2. Anything the Constitution Committee drafts will always be brought to Council first.
- Craig noted that this is a good first step. The more we can incorporate into the Bylaws (up front) the better because it only takes one (1) meeting for approval.
- The Council tasked Miles and the Constitution Committee with putting some recommendations together.
- Approval process:
 1. Bylaws require 50% of the quorum
 2. Constitution requires 2/3 of the quorum.

- FCLC sends copies of the Constitution to the synod on a yearly basis.

The question was called: The Council tasked Miles and the committee with drafting revisions to the Bylaws and Constitution.

New Worship Schedule

- Beginning on Easter Sunday, April 4, 2010, our worship times will be 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM. Sunday school will be held at 9:30.
- The summer worship schedule will be 8:00 and 11:00 am. Sunday school at 9:30 am.

Website Update

- Kirk Olson showed Ed how he could set up a training session for the ministry "web masters."
- The training session for all ministries is Saturday, March 20th, from 9:30 to 11:30 am.

Items of Information:

- None

Ministry Updates

Education—Mary Konicek

- Committee will be collating the Lenten devotionals on Saturday, February 13
- The 6th grade Confirmation class will be gathering/assembling packets for each week's Lenten theme reminder
- *Book of Proverbs* Bible study begins on February 21, 2010.
- Currently working with Youth & Family with the FiLL (middle/High School) on Sunday mornings.
- Fellowship and Education will be working together to create a potential "lunch-time" Bible study for those who work from home.
- Work with other ministries to create courses for "Summer of Gifts" Sunday school.
- Work with Centro Cristiano to teach a Spanish course during the year. (Beginning with summer Sunday school.)

Fellowship - Sally Meier

- Soup Suppers start February 17th: serving from 5:15 to 6:45 pm. Council members should have received Sally's email dated February 1, 2010, with their assignment info for helping with suppers.
- The first game night for adults will be held at the church on Friday, February 26th from 7:00-9:00 pm in the Sunset Room 230. We're encouraging folks to bring their favorite games (board games, cards, Bunco, etc. Some are also interested in playing Wii.
- The St. Patrick's Day dance - since Dawn & Brit opened up the Valentine's weekend Prom to all adults, we decided that we need to postpone our dance as it's too much of the same thing too close together. Date should be finalized by the March meeting.

Outreach: (Pat Sharp) - Ed Broestl

- The gift of \$10,069 will be given to HTF (Haitian TImouen Foundation); the organization Ben Mason went with to Haiti.
- Mailing proposals for grants to missionaries and groups.
- Outreach will facilitate Ben Mason's studies for 2010 in the amount of \$6,710 to be used for tuition, books and health insurance. This amount is half of Ben's request for \$13,419. (The endowment will add \$10,000 for a \$16,710 total).

Pastoral Care—Gloria Borchert

- Will be meeting Wednesday, February 10th, with Ed Broestl and Cookie Olsen to discuss "Share the Care." This is a ministry and "outreach" for Pastoral Care.
- The Prayer Shawl Ministry has offered to teach the youth who might want to learn how to crochet or knit or quilt.
- Looking into more support groups, i.e., for grief, divorce, loss of job, etc.
- Heat will be installed in the Nursery this week.

Property—Curt Schroeder

- Support all ministries of the church with property needs.
- Help organize property volunteers in lists and highlighting skill sets.
- Finish the final four sections of the Operations Manual.

Stewardship-Tom Kramer

- The Crown Ministry begins a new session on February 11, 2010.
- Ed Broestl and Lisa Smith are co-leads for this 10-week course.

Worship & Music—Miles Olson

- Mitch Rogge, son of Lloyd & Muriel Rogge, is the lead in a Southern Gospel Quartet, Legacy. Want to get on their schedule to host a concert at FCLC.
- Internal instruments, i.e., brass, for PAC.
- In the process of adding a new Mac computer in the media booth.
- New remote microphones.
- Sound board has a major inadequacy; may need a fund drive to buy/upgrade to a better system.

Youth—Greg Harms

- There were 32 youth at the Super Bowl Party at Barcewski's home. Great time! More Middle school than high school students.
- Brit has been talking with Alicia Stover about starting up the SNS (Saturday Night at Stover's) for FCLC youth at her home. Probably beginning March 13th. This will become part of 7-Ten Ministry for Fellowship.
- Looking at places for a back-to-school event in the fall: a concert venue with open stage before the big show. Maybe another event at Anderson farms.
- Brit Windel has been invited to attend the Simply Youth Ministry Conference in Chicago. Will be working with different speakers and be on Staff for the week of February 25 through March 1, 2010. 2,000 youth pastors and leaders from all over the US will be attending.
- Gearing up for the Spaghetti dinner and silent auction on February 26th.
- Brit is praying and brainstorming about how and where to begin in getting our students to be more involved with the church and youth group on either Wednesday or Sunday. Looking at what model will work with and go together with equipping our leaders to engage our students and parents.
- The Father-Son Retreat will be Father's Day Weekend. The event will be announced to the church next week. Brit is very excited about this event that will help equip men to be better husbands, fathers, and men, and to begin teach their sons/students.

Motion to Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 pm by Ed Smith, Vice President.

Closing Prayer— Lord's Prayer in unison.

Respectfully submitted,

-Janelle Olson for Ken Amundson

Ministry Goals for 2009

Christian Education (Webmaster: Nanette Going)

- Equip members for ministry in daily life.
- Facilitate cross-cultural and cross-generational events.
- Expand educational small group opportunities (with Bible study).

Fellowship (Webmaster: ____)

- Home-based business fair -making connections.
- Mother's Day Spa - including child care.
- More "age appropriate" activities.
- Bond child/nursery with fellowship.
- Volunteers - not feel "locked-in" and over whelmed.

Outreach (Webmaster: Stacia Keller)

- To establish a process for the requesting of funds from the Outreach committee.
- To become more hands on with the organizations we support. This includes building liaisons between the Outreach committee and the members of our congregation with the ministries that we support.
- To increase the involvement of the members/small groups within the congregation to the Outreach committee.
- To increase the communication to the congregation about what Outreach is doing.

Pastoral Care - (Webmasters: Stephanie Mason & Shirley Noreen)

- Launch Share the Care Program.
- Expand Pastoral & Staff Appreciation.
- Create a greater awareness & educate the congregation about Stephen Ministry.

Property (webmaster: Mike Brockman)

- Support all ministries of the church with property needs.
- Help organize property volunteers in lists and highlighting skill sets.
- Finish the final four (4) sections of the Operations Manual.
- Continue "workshop" for Mission: Workcamp program what was set up last year.
- Actively participate in Long Range Planning process.

Shared ministry activities:

- Youth & Family: Workshop for Mission: Workcamp-ers
- All ministries: Spring and Fall clean up.
- **Painting projects**
 1. Windows in the Fellowship Hall and in the 1991 education edition.
 2. Painting in the hallways.
 3. Painting Sunday school room 106
 4. Painting the Fellowship Hall by the Boy Scouts
 5. Painting some utility closets.
- **Special Projects**
 1. Cleaning carpets: Sanctuary, Narthex, hallways, and Sunday school rooms.
 2. Outdoor yard clean-up in spring and fall.
 3. Set up mowers in spring; set up for snow plowing in fall.
 4. Pull down snow fence.
 5. Set up someone to care for the ball field. (Mike Marshall)
 6. Spring clean-up day for the inside building.
 7. Put up and take down shade sails.
- **Big Projects**
 1. Fellowship Hall: counter tops in kitchen; new carpet; electrical and plumbing.
 2. Welcome Center
 3. Carpet in Sunday school room 107.

Stewardship - (Webmaster: undecided)

- Increase community awareness of Simply Giving program.
- Educate the FCLC community on the Stewardship ministry.
- Enhance financial reporting.
- Increase Stewardship committee membership by three new members.

Worship/Music/Drama (webmaster: Kirk Olson)

- Review the weekend worship services regularly and make appropriate changes.
- Evaluate the sound and video systems, especially needs for summer worship and future additions and modifications.
- Form one or more new instrumental, vocal, and liturgical dance groups.
- Expand drama opportunities for the congregation.
- Solicit concerts and other performances from community groups and from churches and colleges outside the area.

Youth - (Webmaster: Brit Windel)

- Contact every student via phone or face to face.
 - Create a HEALTHY calendar structure (Can define upon request).
 - Purposeful fellowship Gatherings for youth and adults.
 - Build adult awareness/Support/ participation in overall areas of ministry.
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Reminders:

- Please inform the council secretary when any of the ministry goals stated above are achieved.
- Items for the Feb. newsletter must be in by Jan. 15th at noon! Please send your articles to office@fclc.org.

General Information:

- The council e-mail address is council@fclc.org

February devotion: Brit Windel offered the devotion to the Council, staff, and committees in the Sanctuary prior to the ministry meetings.

New members -- March 2009	New members -- October 2009
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paul Andreson• Bruce & Denise Burg• Jeff & Anne Dean; Dillon, Mary & Isaac• Michael Hanratty; Colton• Linda Kepler• Peggy McDonald• Peter & Sarah Mertz; Hannah & Ella• Kathryn Peters• Margaret Thorsin• Melissa Venrick; Will & Tanner	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ken & JoEllen Amundson• Cork & Sally Billings• John & Crystal Buck• Nick, Michelle & Lilly Buderus• Tom & Mary Cairy• Gerry Cole & Sharon Kirby-Cole• Ron & Jan Hart• Susie McIntosh• Shirley Johnson• Jeff & Janet Kirkpatrick• Amy Lynn and Anna Lenhert• Gregg, Jill, Reilly, Becca & Rachel Mau• Allan & Doris Nickels• Jenna Olschlager• Cathy & Noelle Peterson• Bob & Joan Rocho• Darlene Temos• Charles & Mavis Van Matre• Susan Watkins• Gary & Sherry Wright